

REMARKS

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated 22 November 2004, the time to respond being herein extended one (1) month to 22 March 2005. Claims 1-19 and 22 are herein canceled, claims 20-21 and 23 are amended, and new claims 26-27 are added. Thus, claims 20-21 and 23-27 remain pending in the application.

The Examiner rejected claims 13-18 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Rutter (U.S. Patent No. 5,810,059). Applicant acknowledges and appreciates the Examiner's indication that 19-25 (though objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim) would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant herein introduces new claim 26 to do just that. New claim 26 combines the limitations of prior base claim 13 (now canceled), plus those of depending claims 18 and 19. Thus, new claim 26 should be allowable. Depending claims 20 and 21 are herein amended to depend from new claim 26 and should likewise be allowable. Likewise, applicant also introduces new claim 27 to combines the limitations of prior base claim 13 (now canceled), plus those of depending claim 22. Claim 22 is herein canceled. Thus, new claim 27 should be allowable. Depending claim 23 is herein amended to depend from new claim 27 and should likewise be allowable. Claims 24 and 25 depend from amended claim 23 and should likewise be allowable.

In view of the above, all pending claims 20-21 and 23-27 are believed to avoid all the rejections set forth in the Official Action and thus, the case should be in condition for allowance.

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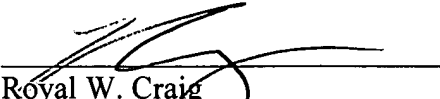
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A Notice to this effect is respectfully requested, and the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at 410.385.2383 to discuss any remaining issues.

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